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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: MNUC, PK, FR, US  
SUBJ: REPLAY ON REPROCESSING PLANT

REF: (A) ISLAMABAD 0254, (B) PARIS 00615

1. NUCLEAR REPROCESSING ISSUE CONTINUES TO BUBBLE--  
ESPECIALLY IN VERNACULAR PRESS -- AS RESULT OF PRESS  
ACCOUNTS THIS SUBJECT AND RELATED SAFEGUARDS ISSUES FROM  
PARIS AND DELHI AS AN OUTGROWTH OF THE PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL.

2. NAWA-I-WAQT JAN. 9 TOOK EMOTIONAL TACK, APPEALING  
TO GAULLISM AND ALLEGING FRENCH EFFORT TO SEEK RENEGOTIATION  
OF REPROCESSING PLANT CONTRACT IS THE RESULT OF US PRESSURE  
WHICH IS INSPIRED BY "ZIONIST" INFLUENCES AIMED AT DENYING  
NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY TO PAKISTAN, THUS MAKING ITS FRUITS  
UNAVAILABLE TO PAKISTAN'S ARAB FRIENDS. MORE RATIONALLY,  
IMROZE SUGGESTED THAT THE REPROCESSING PLANT ISSUE WILL  
NOT BE RESOLVED BEFORE THE FRENCH ELECTIONS IN MARCH,  
ADDING THAT THE MATTER WOULD BE AN ELECTION ISSUE AND  
THAT "SUPPLY OF THE PLANT WILL BECOME CERTAIN AFTER THE  
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POLLS IN FRANCE, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE POLL RESULTS."

3. DRAWING ON SAME QUAI D'ORSAY PRESS STATEMENT AS  
REPORTED REF B, WIDELY-READ URDU LANGUAGE JANG JAN . 10  
HIGHLIGHTED THE "MODIFICATIONS" THE FRENCH HAVE PROPOSED  
RATHER THAN THE FRENCH SPOKESMAN'S REAFFIRMATION OF THE  
CONTRACT. QUOTING FURTHER FROM BBC'S ISLAMABAD CORRESPONDENT,

JANG REPORTED THAT PAKISTAN HAS ALREADY MADE IT CLEAR TO THE FRENCH THAT "IT WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY MODIFICATIONS IN THE AGREEMENT." BBC ACCOUNT NOTED AID/GLENN AMENDMENT IMPLICATIONS OF AGREEMENT, ADDING THAT "SUCH A STAGE HAS NOT COME AS YET IN THE CASE OF PAKISTAN." THE BBC CONCLUDED, ACCORDING TO JANG, "THE FRENCH DECISION WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT PAKISTAN-FRENCH TIES BECAUSE EVERY POLITICAL PARTY, AS WELL AS THE PRESENT (MARTIAL LAW) RULERS OF PAKISTAN, WANT TO ACQUIRE THE PLANT. THE GOODWILL WHICH EMANATED FROM THE ABOVE DEAL RESULTED IN THE SETTING UP OF A TRUCK PLANT IN PAKISTAN WITH FRENCH ASSISTANCE: BESIDES PIA HAS PURCHASED TWO AIRBUSSES FROM FRANCE."

4. MUSAWAAT ON 10 JANUARY PAINTED THE PAKISTAN MFA THE VILLAIN OF THE PIECE -- A REFRESHING CHANGE -- SUGGESTING THAT INSTEAD OF MERELY ANNOUNCING ITS OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED FRENCH CHANGES IN THE AGREEMENT, THE MFA SHOULD HAVE TAKEN THE MATTER UP WITH THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT TO EXPRESS PAKISTAN'S "DETERMINATION" TO PROCEED AND TO SEEK NEW FRENCH ASSURANCES THAT THE PROJECT CAN START "WITHOUT ANY FURTHER DELAY."  
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